

POLICY

It is the policy of the Michigan Department of Human Services Bureau of Juvenile Justice (BJJ) that the behavioral health needs of youths admitted to a residential facility are identified and addressed through a comprehensive behavioral health services system consisting of a connected continuum of assessment services, interventions and treatment modalities.

PURPOSE

This policy ensures access to a comprehensive continuum of services for youth who have behavioral health needs.

DEFINITIONS

See JRG, JJ Residential Glossary.

**RESPONSIBLE
STAFF**

Designated in the facility standard operating procedure.

PROCEDURE

Each facility is required to develop and implement standard operating procedures (SOPs) relative to a comprehensive system for delivery of behavioral health services. At a minimum, these SOPs must contain the following requirements:

Assessment

Behavioral health screening instrument.

- MAYSI-2
 - Completed within one (1) hour of admission to the facility.
 - The youth remains under constant supervision until assessment is completed and reviewed.

Suicide Evaluation.

- Completion of a suicide risk assessment when a youth presents as being suicidal, including the results of the MAYSI-2 screening.
- Potentially suicidal youth are placed on suicide watch and appropriate suicide prevention precautions are taken.

Treatment

Referral.

- Timely and appropriate referrals for evaluation are submitted to address the needs indicated in the MAYSI-2.

Treatment planning.

- Behavior health goals are incorporated into treatment plans.
- Counseling.
- Individual, family and group therapy takes place as defined in the treatment plan.

Psychotropic medication.

- Psycho-pharmacological therapy by a psychiatrist is provided and monitored as needed.

Substance abuse testing.

- Youths with substance abuse disorders are given random drug screenings.

**Transition
Planning**

Transitional planning begins at the time of admission. The release plan identifies all discharge planning as it relates to the youth's behavioral health needs including:

- Type and frequency of services to maintain progress.
- Identifying the individual agency responsible for follow-up psychiatric services.

Staff address relapse prevention techniques and the youth completes a relapse prevention plan to assist the youth in successful reintegration into the community.

Training

Behavioral health providers receive appropriate on-going training.

Documentation

MAYSI-2, behavioral health assessments, psychotropic medications, and drug screenings are documented in the JJIS.

AUTHORITY

Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.115a(1)(l)